(The following information comes from a weekly update supplied concerning the tribal government, local communities and issues that affect overall tribal business. The department or persons involved is shown at the end of each item. If the item is general in nature, PA will appear for Public Affairs)

(Cultural related items)

• **Spring Fire.** The Spring Fire was lit on April 9th by tribal Firekeepers. This year there was a new location on the triangle of land just north of the intersections of M 22 and US 31. This is tribal property located north of the Casino. Those visiting the Spring Membership Meeting were encouraged to stop by.

(General area items)

• **Tribe supports "Bigs"** The tribal government has contributed \$500 to the Big Brothers and Big Sisters program in Manistee. This worthwhile national program allows for meaningful interaction between young people who might not always have the positive influence of an adult in their formative years.

(Tribal Government-Department items)

- **Tribal Manager Hired!** John D. Concannon started Monday, April 14th in his position as the Tribal Manager for LRBOI. John has a wealth of experience in Indian Country, is a tribal member of GTB, former Council person and has successfully held numerous tribal government positions over the year. LRBOI has been without a Tribal Manager since June Fletcher left the post in 2005.
- Election Board meeting announced. The next Election Board meeting will be on April 30, 2008 at 7 pm in the Election Board office in Manistee. The office is located on the 2nd floor of the Bank Building on River Street.
- 5th Regional Summit. County Vice Chairperson Janice McCraner visited Council on the 9th and invited the tribal government to participate in the next Regional Summit at Portage Point Inn. These summits bring together all elements of government and business to discuss and learn about issues and opportunities for the improvement of both tribal and non-tribal people.

If you have any specific questions, ideas or comments regarding this information, please address them to:
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